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| THE REPLY FILED <u>20 June 2006</u> FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. | | | | | | | | |
| 1. The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods: | | | | | | | | |
| a) The period for reply expires <u>3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection.</u> | | | | | | | | |
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| 2. The Notice of Appeal was filed on A brief in comp filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any external a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed. | nsion thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to | avoid dismissal of th | | | | | | |
| AMENDMENTS | | | | | | | | |
| 3. The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because (a) They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below); (b) They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below); (c) They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for | | | | | | | | |
| appeal; and/or (d) ☐ They present additional claims without canceling a | corresponding number of finally rei | acted claims | | | | | | |
| NOTE: <u>See Continuation Sheet</u> . (See 37 CFR 1.1 | | ecteu ciaims. | | | | | | |
| | ` '' | mnliant Amendment | (PTOL-324) | | | | | |
| 4. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324). 5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): | | | | | | | | |
| Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s). | | | | | | | | |
| 7. For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) how the new or amended claims would be rejected is pro The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: Claim(s) allowed: | ⊠ will not be entered, or b) ☐ wi vided below or appended. | ll be entered and an e | explanation of | | | | | |
| Claim(s) objected to: <u>16-22 and 40</u> . Claim(s) rejected: <u>1-7,9-12,14,15 and 39</u> . | | | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: <u>8,13 and 23-38</u> . <u>AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE</u> | | | | | | | | |
| The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but because applicant failed to provide a showing of good an was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e). | it before or on the date of filing a N d sufficient reasons why the affida | otice of Appeal will <u>no</u> vit or other evidence i | ot be entered s necessary and | | | | | |
| 9. The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessar | overcome <u>all</u> rejections under apper y and was not earlier presented. S | al and/or appellant fa ee 37 CFR 41.33(d)(| ils to provide a 1). | | | | | |
| 10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanatio REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER | n of the status of the claims after e | ntry is below or attach | ned. | | | | | |
| The request for reconsideration has been considered bu See Continuation Sheet. | | | nce because: | | | | | |
| 12. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s). | (PTO/SB/08 or PTO-1449) Paper N | lo(s) | | | | | | |
| 13. Other: | | | | | | | | |
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Continuation Sheet (PTO-303)

Continuation of 3. NOTE:

The proposed amendment to the abstract would require further consideration and/or search. It is noted that that the applicant failed to provide any reason why the amendment to the abstract was not earlier presented.

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:

Applicant's arguments are not persuasive.

Regardless of whether Kewley or Andrews or Kolmes was "looking to make a composite yarn having an elastic member to carry substantially all of an alongating stress," the applied prior art clearly reads on the claimed invention for the reasons submitted in the final office action.

The applicant asserts that "...a person having ordinary skill in the art would not find a suggestion or reasonable expectation of success to rely on Andrews to modify the teachings of Kolmes '789 to obtain Applicant's claime dinvention." The examiner respectfully disagrees. Andrews discloses that it is known in the protective garment art to use an elastic core member because apparel can be fabricated with improved form-fitting properties and/or increased comfort (column 1, lines 8-19 and column 3, lines 8-22). It would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to use an elastic core member, as taught by Andrew, because the elastic core member allows for the fabrication of articles with improved form-fitting properties and/or increased comfort.

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